



## DIOCESE OF SASKATOON

*The Anglican Church of Canada*

As a diocese of Anglican Christian disciples, we seek to be lively and welcoming communities of faith who serve God and serve others. Our parishioners will be prayerful, grounded in Scripture, welcoming and attentive to the needs and aspirations of our neighbours.

JULY , 2011

### HOLD IN PRAYER

- Gwendolyn Gresham
- Jacqueline Plante
- Glen Burgomaster

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL- THIS SUMMER**

**July 4 – 8, 2011**  
from 9 am to noon

#### **INSIDE OUT & UPSIDE DOWN on MAIN STREET**

*Where Jesus Makes a Difference Every Day!*

The youth of St. Timothy's and Augustana will run a small Vacation Bible School program this summer, July 4-8, for ages 7 to 11. There will be a team of high school-aged leaders with adult support.

The **On Main Street** program explores five parables-stories Jesus told about everyday people in everyday situations. Each day we will discover the difference Jesus makes as we spend time at *Sidewalk Celebration, Parable Productions, Fun Factory, Brown Bag Bistro and Firehouse Fitness.*

Registration information may be obtained by emailing [st.timothy@sasktel.net](mailto:st.timothy@sasktel.net)

**St. Timothy Anglican Congregation worshipping at Augustana Lutheran**

**1201 Broadway Avenue South, Saskatoon, SK S7H 2A4**

**Phone: 343-1332 e-mail: [saint.timothy@sasktel.net](mailto:saint.timothy@sasktel.net)**

**St. Mark's Anglican Church , Saskatoon, Saskatchewan**

**will be celebrating its 100th Anniversary**

September 3 and 4, 2011

Former parishioners, clergy, and friends are invited to join us as we share stories, food and worship and view displays of pictures & memorabilia.

If you are able to join the festivities, please **RSVP by August 12, 2011** to:

E-mail -- [stmarks@sasktel.net](mailto:stmarks@sasktel.net) OR Telephone -- (306) 653-4140

Please provide your name(s), e-mail address and/or telephone number as part of your RSVP.

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**Executive Committee, Deanery Meetings and Diocesan Council Meeting Dates**

Executive Committee – Tuesday, August 9, 2011 – 1:30 pm

Diocesan Council – Saturday, September 24, 2011

Deanery Meetings will be held between August 9 and September 10, 2011

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Back Church  
25th September 2011



**NATIONAL BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY**

Back to Church Sunday is the single largest church invitational initiative in the world.

Invite your friend(s) letting them know that your church is having a special service that they will enjoy on September 25, 2011

For more information and resources, please visit: [www.backtochurch.co.uk](http://www.backtochurch.co.uk), or contact the Diocesan Office by phone at 244-5651 or by e-mail: [anglicansynod@sasktel.net](mailto:anglicansynod@sasktel.net)

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## External Mission Project

### The 2012 Baja Mission

How would you like to help build a house for a poor family in 10 days? How would you like to experience something of the third-world with new friends? How would you like to gain a wider and deeper vision of the family of the church? How would you like to make a profound difference in the lives of children, teens, adults and a whole community for generations to come? Did we mention that this is a wonderful opportunity to put your faith into action?

Then, you and your parish want to consider sponsoring yourself or one or more of your members of your congregation on our Diocesan mission in early June, 2012. For more information go to our diocesan website. Or book a date for someone to come to your parish or congregation to make a presentation. Contact: Rev. Ken Watts: (306)-343-1332/ <[st.timothy.rector@sasktel.net](mailto:st.timothy.rector@sasktel.net)>.or Bishop David: (306) 244-5651/ <[bishopdavid@sasktel.net](mailto:bishopdavid@sasktel.net)>.

Dear Colleagues,

Would you please read the reports from the Diocesan Mission/Outreach Committee and the Diocesan Gathering Committee which have been placed on the web site and ensure that the information is communicated with the members of your parish or congregation. +David

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## Summer Course Offering at Emmanuel and St. Chad

### BE 334/434 Agrarianism and the Bible

**Dates:** August 15- 19

**Time:** 9:00 am – 12 noon, 1:00 – 4:00 pm                      3 credit course - \$650 audit - \$325

**Instructor:** Dr. Matthew Thiessen

Agrarianism stresses the need for us to structure our lives in order that we might live in healthful relationship with everything around us: humans, animals, plants, and the land. The purpose of this course will be to read biblical passages in light of the recent agrarian thinking of writers such as Wendell Berry, Wes Jackson, and Norman Wirzba. How does the Bible portray humanity? In relationship to the earth and other living creatures? Can we find resources within scripture to help us live more peaceably and justly with all aspects of our world? The course will focus closely on questions such as these within a specifically prairie context.

For more info contact:  
Colleen Walker, Registrar  
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Diocese of Saskatoon Anglican Church Women's Retreat, Friday, Sept. 16 (7pm) to Sunday, Sept. 18 (11am), 2011, at Queen's House of Retreats, 601 Taylor St. W., Saskatoon, SK. **THEME: Spiritual Nurturing Through Our Senses.** A weekend of creativity, freedom, and seeking God. "O God, you are my God. I seek you, my soul thirsts for you". Psalm 63:1 **REGISTRATION:** Deadline September 1, 2011 (limit of 65 beautiful souls). Registration Fee (\$30). Live-in (\$230) – includes single bedroom, meals, refreshments, facility rental. Commuter (\$130) – includes meals, refreshments, facility rental. Make cheque payable to Saskatoon Diocesan ACW and send payment to Nancy Yee, 511 Rogers Road, Saskatoon, SK. S7N 3X1. (Tel: 249-3217 E-mail: [yeen@sasktel.net](mailto:yeen@sasktel.net) )

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## ONGOING HAPPENINGS IN THE DIOCESE

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### **Dragon Tale's Den**

for parents and children 0-6 years old

Stories, play, crafts, and snacks

1st and 3rd Thursdays

St. George's Anglican Church Hall 624 Ave. I S. 242-7973

### **Community Coffee House**

All are welcome to join us Tuesdays and Thursdays

8am - 12 noon

Coffee, Muffins, and Fellowship

St. George's Anglican Church Hall

624 Ave I S. 242-7973

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### **Happening at St. James' with the Refinery-**

**Redefining Church** is regular 7pm Sunday evening gathering in the church. It is an informal gathering of 15 to 25 people, sitting in a candlelit circle, with music led by our youth band Reaching Out, reading and group reflection on the day's gospel, and a gentle time of prayer. People of all ages come, with youth and young adults especially well represented.

**The St. James' Farmers' Market and International Bazaar** brings people and energy into the church every Wednesday, 11am to 6pm. Delicious food is available for sit down lunch or to take home. We are delighted that some of the vendors have organized a monthly drop-in for international students. International Drop-Ins are held on the second Sunday of every month, 2-5pm, in the lower level of the church. Sunday School children are responding positively to a new program called

**Godly Play.** Check out some the Godly Play videos on the internet. You will be amazed!

**Refinery Classes** spring registrations are well underway, check the website to register for classes ranging from yoga, to cooking, acting, creative dance, Lamaze and more!

**Refinery Performances** Keep your eyes peeled for upcoming concerts and theatre productions through “On the Boards”

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## **Integrity Meetings**

**Integrity will not meet during July and August. The next meeting will be held Wednesday, September 14, 7:30 pm. St. George’s Anglican Church, 624 Ave. I South.**

**Support group for gay and lesbian community and friends, includes Eucharist in the church, followed by GLBTT reflections and a social/refreshment time. Child care services available on prior request. Participate at your comfort level. All are welcome! Contact: Tom and Rose Rogers, 373-5165, See also: [www.integritysaskatoon.blogspot.com](http://www.integritysaskatoon.blogspot.com)**

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## **Seniors Lunch St. George's, Battleford**

The Friendship Committee invites all Seniors to join them for Lunch on the **first Monday of each month**. Please join St. George’s for a wonderful opportunity to fellowship over a light but delicious lunch.

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## **Healing Service Battle River Parish**

All are welcome to the monthly Healing Service with Anointing and Laying on of hands. This moving and important service alternates between the two Battle River parishes **on a monthly basis**. Please contact the Rev. Peter Norman at (306) 445-4155 or by e-mail at [stpaulnb@sasktel.net](mailto:stpaulnb@sasktel.net) for dates and times.

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Readings – July, 2011 Book of Alternative Services

***July 10, 2011***

Genesis 25:19-34; Psalm 119:105-112; Romans 8: 1-11; Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23

***July 17, 2011***

Genesis 28: 10-19a; Psalm 139: 1-11, 22-23; Roman 8:12-25; Matthew 13: 24-30, 36-43

***July 24, 2011***

Genesis 29: 15-28; Psalm 105: 1-11, 45 c or Psalm 128; Romans 8:26-39; Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

***July 31, 2011***

Genesis 32: 22-31; Psalm 17:1-7, 16; Romans 9:1-5; Matthew 14:13-21

## Earthcare Connections Intentions – July 2011, Year A

### July 3, Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1. May farmers struggling with extreme climatic conditions contribute their wisdom to find solutions to the global crisis. **We pray to the Lord.**
2. May we co-operate with the Spirit of the Lord to renew the face of the Earth. **We pray to the Lord**

### July 10, Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1. May God's word sown in each of us help us grow in faith as we care for the earth we share with all life. **We pray to the Lord.**
2. As creation labours to be born anew, may all of us recognize the call to stewardship and be guided by the word of God. **We pray to the Lord.**

### July 17, Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1. May the Spirit of God help us to create a universal and just food system. **We pray to the Lord.**
2. May our minds and hearts be open to learn to live in balance with creation. **We pray to the Lord.**

### July 24, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1. May we be given wisdom to treasure and care for our earthly home. **We pray to the Lord.**
2. Help us to see the connection between human life and the environment, and work together to protect both. **We pray to the Lord.**

### July 31, Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1. May we be content with what is enough to meet our needs and thus come to share freely with those who have less. **We pray to the Lord.**
2. May the people and the companies who have power to determine the future of food and agriculture realize that more and bigger threatens the future of our planet. **We pray to the Lord.**

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## **CRCN – CiRCLe M Newsletter #12 - July 2011**

Canadian Rural Church Network/Centre for Rural Community Leadership and Ministry

**Link to E-Newsletter (137 KB):** <http://www.circle-m.ca/newsletter>

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Welcome to Update – The subscription newsletter of The Primate's World Relief and Development Fund.

### **Mission Statement**

As an instrument of faith, PWRDF connects Anglicans in Canada to communities around the world in dynamic partnerships to advance development, respond to emergencies, assist refugees and act for positive change.

This list is an outgoing communication service from PWRDF only.

### **JUNE 2011**

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### **1. Paper Crane Project - Tsunami Relief**

Alexandre Banks – Grade 5 Student

École Millidgeville North School, Saint John, New Brunswick

*In April while the world watched in horror as events unfolded in Japan, nine year old Alexandre Banks decided that he wanted to do something for the children there. With the help of his mother Michele, his teachers and classmates, Alexandre helped to make a real difference.*

I had no idea that my interest in origami would inspire me to start a project for Japan. After speaking to our principal and my teacher we started to make paper cranes in our classroom. Some other students in the school became interested and in total we made 423 paper cranes.

My mother contacted our city market and then we were off! The manager said that we could sell the cranes on a Saturday morning.

My friend, Will and I spent three hours selling the cranes and we raised \$477.06! People were so nice when we told them that we wanted to send the money to Japan to help other children that had been affected by the Tsunami.

I think it is important to give to others in our community and in our world. There will always be people that need the help of others and hopefully there will always be people that open their hearts to help.

### **2. Cross-Canada Bike Ride for Burma**

#### **Information Release by Canadian Friends of Burma; June 2, 2011**

*Mae Tao Clinic in Mae Sot, Thailand is run by Dr. Cynthia Maung and PWRDF supports the Committee for the Protection and Promotion of Children's Rights (CPPCR) program that registers the births of the children of Burmese migrant workers and refugees in order to facilitate their education in Thailand and to protect them from falling victim to child trafficking.*

**Ottawa** – A continental bike ride to raise awareness of the situation in Burma and funding for the [Mae Tao Clinic](#) on the Thai-Burma border starts June 2 in Vancouver and ends in Halifax. The fundraising drive by Vancouver based *Just Aid Foundation* (JAF) has raised significant....[READ MORE](#): funds for eight years and they expect to raise even more by taking this new initiative.

A distance of 7,125 kilometres, the coast to coast bike ride is led by long time Burma activists Rod Germaine and Burmese activist Soe Naing.

They are scheduled to meet with supporters across Canada to urge them to join for a short distance of the ride or to donate to the cause benefiting hundreds of thousands of people who are receiving medical assistance from the Clinic run by renowned physician Cynthia Maung.

Rod Germaine, a lawyer by profession, said the ride is expected to take about two months before they finally reach Halifax in August. He said they will travel a distance of 120 kilometres a day, weather and route conditions permitting.

You can make donations and follow the ride at [www.justride2011.ca](http://www.justride2011.ca) or [justride2011.blogspot.com](http://justride2011.blogspot.com).

### **3. PWRDF Partner Offices Illegally Searched**

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*The Paso del Norte Human Rights Centre was founded in 2001 and is based in Ciudad Juárez, on the border with the United States in the northern Mexican state of Chihuahua. In a context of militarization and impunity the Centre aims to equip the local population with the required legal and psychosocial tools, as well as with human rights training to confront the devastating effects of the current drug war. The Centre has been a partner of PWRDF since 2006.*

On the night of June 5, federal police illegally raided the offices of PWRDF partner agency Centro de Derechos Humanos Paso del Norte (The Paso del Norte Human Rights Centre) in Ciudad Juarez, Mexico. Officers forcefully entered the building without a search warrant, broke windows and searched and ransacked the offices. Fortunately, no one was hurt and no materials were taken from the offices. [Read more...](#)

### **4. New Zealand bishop fears her clergy face "exhaustion of spirit" following tremors**

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Lloyd Ashton, Anglican Taonga

June 15, 2011

In the wake of yet more big jolts in Christchurch, Bishop Victoria Matthews says she fears her clergy are facing "exhaustion of spirit."

"People are tired. They have been more than magnificent. Let me say that clearly.

"But I am hearing of a deep weariness of the soul, and I'm having to ask people to reach deep into their resources to meet yet another crisis.

"The churches that have stepped up to the plate, and been magnificent so many times before, will have to do it all over again. Because we have got to keep looking after the people of God. [Read more...](#)

### **5. Mining operations criticized**

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Marites N. Sison

Staff writer

Anglican journal

An Anglican bishop said he is shocked to learn that the image of Canadians as "peacemakers and builders of justice" is being sullied.

Abuses resulting from the large-scale mining activities of some Canadian companies operating in the developing world were the focus of an ecumenical conference on mining, May 1 to 3 in Toronto. Bishop Tom Morgan told the Anglican Journal he was embarrassed to see Philippine newspapers, which carried stories about these mining activities, referring to Canadians as "ugly." [Read more...](#)

### **6. Church House library winding down operations**

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Ali Symons, General Synod Web Writer

Library services at General Synod are beginning to wind down in anticipation of full closure on December 31, 2011. The first step will be on June 1, 2011, when Librarian Karen Evans will end her research and reference services. The General Synod Archives will now handle these queries.

The library closure is part of wider General Synod cutbacks and layoffs announced in fall 2010. These

decisions are in line with General Synod's 2009 commitment to eliminate deficit budgeting by 2012 and to establish a budget that is sustainable. [Read more...](#)

## **7. PWRDF – Changing Lives... One Placemat at a Time!**

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By Gillian Hoyer

Youth Council Representative for BC/Yukon

When I tell people that I am on PWRDF's Youth Council, the first predictable response is "What is PWRDF?" After explaining it as The Primate's World Relief and Development Fund, the relief, development, and social justice arm of the Anglican Church of Canada (pwrdf.org), the next question asked is usually about monkeys.

All joking aside, I am delighted to be a part of the Youth Council because I believe strongly in the work that PWRDF does and I want every Canadian Anglican (or really just every Canadian) to know about it and understand the importance of their individual and church's support. [Read more...](#)

## **8. The Keiskamma Trust Auction**

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*PWRDF partner, The Keiskamma Trust is a non-profit, community-based organization whose goal is to improve the health and living conditions of populations in the Eastern Cape, South Africa. The Trust's PWRDF funded program responds to the high HIV and AIDS and TB infection rates among pregnant women in the region and involves a grassroots awareness and education campaign reaching approximately 30,000 people. Trust director Dr. Carol Hofmeyr is a member of the PWRDF Board of Directors.*

The launch of the online auction of the internationally renowned Keiskamma Altarpiece.

*The Keiskamma Altarpiece is a contemporary icon of how the human spirit can rise above adversity and create art of enduring strength and beauty. One hundred and thirty women and a few men from the villages of Hamburg, Bodium and Ntilini, in the rural Eastern Cape, under the leadership of artist and medical doctor Carol Hofmeyr, created this multi-media triptych in 2005. It is based on the medieval Issenheim Altarpiece, by Grunewald and measures 4 x 6.8 metres. It has travelled and been celebrated across North America, the UK and South Africa and is now ready to find a permanent home.*

The Altarpiece is a religious work with a devout message of hope. The Keiskamma Art Project's most famous artworks to date are the Keiskamma Altarpiece and the Keiskamma Tapestry. Both large artworks carry the message of hope in the fight against HIV and AIDS to audiences around the world.

Both the exhibition and the online Keiskamma Altarpiece Auction will run until the 22nd July 2011. To find out more about the altarpiece [click here](#). For information about the online auction please visit [Stephan Welz & Co.](#)

## **9. Liverpool hosts regional PWRDF workshop**

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by Chris Pharo

*Chris Pharo is the PWRDF Diocesan Representative for the Diocese of Nova Scotia/ Prince Edward Island* PWRDF Parish Representatives from the South Shore met at Trinity Anglican Church in Liverpool on May 1 to learn, share and celebrate.

The workshop, lead by Chris, provided an opportunity for PWRDF Parish Representatives to learn more about the work of the organization. Chris provided an overview of how PWRDF operates and gave examples of both the relief and development work that it supports. This was followed by viewing 'Health and Hope for Haiti', a power point presentation of the relief work in Haiti and "Learning from Partners: Africa", a DVD about the work PWRDF supports in Africa to sustain and mentor orphans whose parents have died as a result of the AIDS epidemic. A general discussion followed on a variety of topics ranging from PWRDF resources to the ongoing KAIROS controversy. The workshop concluded with closing prayers offered by Rev. Don Lawton.

The event culminated with a service of thanksgiving in the evening in the historic surroundings of Trinity Anglican Church. A highlight of the service was the wonderful musical performance by the "St. John's

Ringers” hand bell choir from neighbouring St. John’s Anglican Church in Lunenburg. The St. John’s Ringers performed a humorous rendition of “Noah’s Ark” as well the contemporary favourite “Here I Am Lord”. A meditation was offered by Chris Pharo who described The Primate’s World Relief and Development Fund as “truly a good news Anglican story” as it has contributed to life changing projects all over the world for over 50 years thanks to the generous support of Anglicans across Canada.

The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it, the world and all who live in it. Psalm 24.1

## 10. Staff Comings and Goings:

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### **Suzanne Rumsey-Sabbatical**

Beginning June 6, Suzanne Rumsey, PWRDF Public Engagement Coordinator, embarks on a four month sabbatical. Suzanne has been granted a “community sabbatical” position at the Centre for Studies in Religion and Society at University of Victoria for July and August. Her proposal to the Centre involved the research, interviews and initial writing for a popular history of the second 25 years of The Primate’s World Relief and Development Fund (PWRDF). The first 25 years, published in 1985, were chronicled in “We Are the Branches” by Ian Stuchbery.

In addition, Suzanne will use some of the same interviews and research to do some “memoir” work of her two decades of engagement in Latin America, to look at the achievements and challenges of the faith-based solidarity, human rights and development work that has taken place, what was achieved and what is needed heading into the future.

All Public Engagement related questions should be sent to Public Engagement Program Officer Christine Hills, [chills@pwrdf.org](mailto:chills@pwrdf.org) or to Public Engagement Manager Elsa Tesfay, [etesfay@pwrdf.org](mailto:etesfay@pwrdf.org). All youth related questions should go to Sheilagh McGlynn, *justgeneration.ca* Facilitator, [smcglynn@pwrdf.org](mailto:smcglynn@pwrdf.org).

### **Zaida Bastos-Mozambique**

Zaida Bastos, PWRDF’s CIDA Program Coordinator, will be visiting two partners in Mozambique to provide a capacity building training from July 18 to August 8. She will visit CAIXA das Mulheres de Nampula (Women’s Credit Union), a micro-finance organization, supported by PWRDF, that now has 4,500 members. In 1996 the first CAIXA opened in the city of Nampula. A group of illiterate women saved the equivalent of forty seven cents in Canadian dollars and were looking for a safe place to deposit their savings. They opened their first savings account in the newly formed CAIXA, Nampula. These women were the first forty seven members of CAIXA. They earned their first deposit by selling cassava cakes.

Zaida will also visit SALAMA, a Public Health NGO implementing the Public Health Program jointly funded by PWRDF and CIDA. During the last 3 years SALAMA has built 4 Mothers’ in Waiting Houses. They are situated in the compounds of rural hospitals and provide safe, clean accommodation for pregnant rural women living in very remote areas. Medical staff and pregnant women agree that the houses have provided an incredible service as the women are no longer putting both themselves and their babies at risk by setting out for the hospital to deliver their babies when they are in labour.

### **The Primate's World Relief and Development Fund Update Newsletter will return in August**

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